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**FOR: METHOD FOR MANAGING BUYER TRANSACTIONS AND SETTLEMENTS
USING COMMUNICATION NETWORK BETWEEN COMPUTERS, AND
METHOD FOR RELAYING INFORMATION FOLLOWING BUYER
CONSUMPTION TRENDS TO THE BUYER**

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
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Sir:

The attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the document listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. A copy of the document is attached.

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